## ABSTRACT

A seat belt retractor configured to prevent the occurrence of backlash between the torsion bar and a member to which the same is fitted even when a force is applied to the torsion bar when rotation of the retractor is locked. Backlash preventing ribs are provided on the inner peripheral surfaces of the axial hole of the reel on the sides which not subject to a large force between the reel and the torsion bar. Therefore, since a large force generated when rotation of the locking base of the locking mechanism in the webbing unwinding direction is locked is not applied to these backlash preventing ribs the collapse of the backlash preventing ribs caused by such a force can be prevented.